

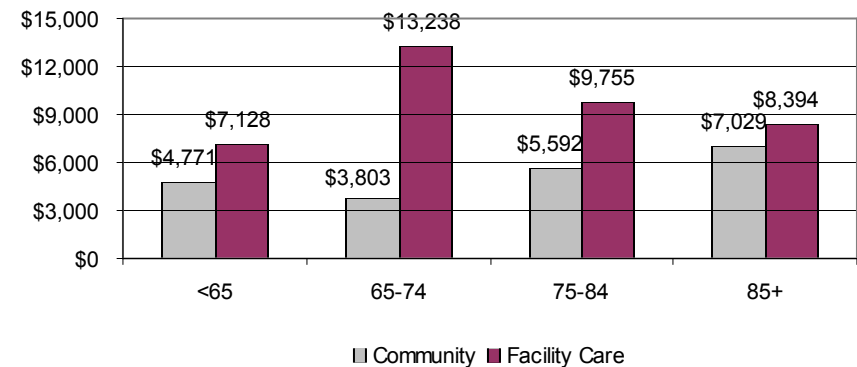
Section 4

Medicare Expenditures

Medicare Expenditures, By Age

- Beneficiaries in facility care cost the Medicare program more per capita than those living in the community. Within the community, those over 84 were the most expensive.
- Beneficiaries aged 65 to 74 had the lowest per capita expenditures for community living (\$3,803) and the highest per capita expenditures for facility residents (\$13,238).
- Regardless of age or insurance type, Medicare expenditures were higher per capita for beneficiaries living in metropolitan areas than for those living in non-metropolitan areas.

Per Capita Medicare Expenditures, By Age and Residence



Medicare Expenditures, By Years of Schooling

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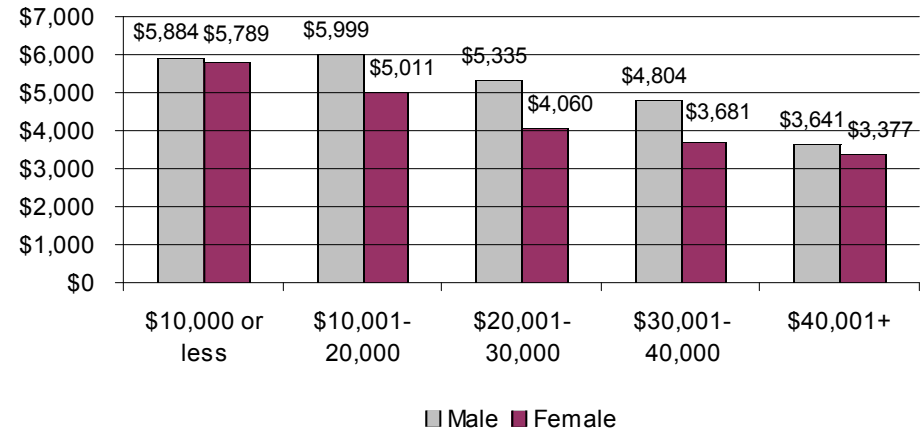


- Beneficiaries with more education generally cost the Medicare program less. Education, however, is strongly correlated with higher incomes and better health status.

Medicare Expenditures, By Gender

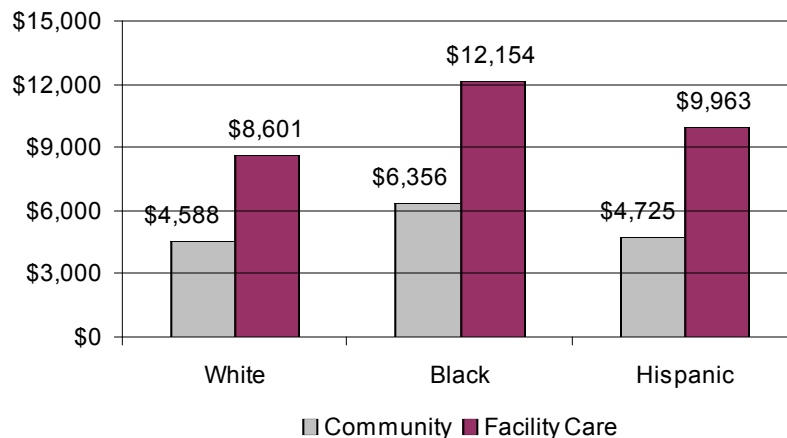
- Medicare paid, on average, \$5,095 for male beneficiaries in the community and \$4,527 for female beneficiaries in the community. These figures were nearly doubled for beneficiaries in facility care.
- Male beneficiaries with HMO, Medigap, employer-sponsored, Medicare fee-for-service, and Medicaid coverage had higher per capita expenditures than female beneficiaries with the same types of health care insurance.
- Male beneficiaries had higher per capita expenditures at every income level.

Per Capita Medicare Expenditures, By Gender and Income



Medicare Expenditures, By Race and Ethnicity

Per Capita Medicare Expenditures, By Residence, Race and Ethnicity



- Black beneficiaries had the highest per capita Medicare expenditures compared to other racial or ethnic groups. Medicare expenditures for black beneficiaries were at least 40 percent higher per capita than for any other racial or ethnic group.
- Per capita Medicare expenditures for black beneficiaries in facility care were nearly double that of any other racial or ethnic group in any other living arrangement.